

ATHLETICS IN SCHOOLS INTEREST 20,000 GIRLS

Mrs. Post, Head of League, Tells
of Wonderful Growth of
the Movement.

HEAD OFF COSTUME DEBATE

Members Refuse to Take Up Question
of Bloomers or Dresses for
Children's Dances.

Mrs. Alfred Seton Post, president of the girls' branch of the Public Schools Athletic League, told the members of the organization who met yesterday afternoon at the house of Mrs. James Speyer, 257 Madison avenue, that the league had just completed the most successful year in its history. Incidentally the league leaders averted a controversy over the proper costume to be worn by the schoolgirls when dancing—dresses or bloomers.

"The committee on athletics of the Board of Education has decided," she continued, "to refer to the girls' branch all matters relating to girls' athletics. In this way the work of the girls' branch has been given authority and definiteness and is officially connected with the school system."

Mrs. Post then spoke of the growth of interest in girls' athletics.

"In 1905-06 328 girls had athletic practice under thirty-eight teachers in nine schools," she said, "while in 1910-11 more than 20,000 girls had athletic practice under 91 teachers in 290 schools."

Miss Mary Orr, one of the directors of the league and a member of one of the local Brooklyn school boards, said that while she believed in exercise and recreation and all that sort of thing, she thought that there was great danger in many of the dances taught to the girls.

"I understand," she went on, "that platform dancing has been abolished, but that doesn't entirely solve the problem. I think that all the girls who take part in these dances should be required to wear gymnasium bloomers and I will make a motion to that effect."

These remarks were followed by a silence of nearly a minute, and then Egeron Winthrop, who was presiding, asked, "Is there any second?"

There was silence and then Miss Manuel, principal of School 31, rose and faced the censor from Brooklyn.

"I don't suppose there's any point in discussing this motion," she said, "but I just want to point out the fact that if we compelled the children to buy bloomers lots of them couldn't come to the classes at all. I don't see any reason why they should be subjected to this kind of a thing."

Well, I've formed my opinion from what I've seen in the schools I've visited," persisted Miss Orr, "and."

"Really, I must remind you that this motion cannot be debated upon," interrupted Mr. Winthrop gently.

Miss Orr sat down, but explained to several persons after the meeting that she had not changed her opinion.

Mrs. Speyer said she was quite sure that both the costumes and the conduct of the dancers were subject always to the most careful direction of the teachers in charge.

An entertainment for the girls' branch, at which the attractive girls will be music by members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and folk dancing by specially trained amateurs, will be given in the ball room of the Waldorf-Astoria on the afternoon of February 23.

NEW BLOW AT CABARET SHOW.

State Excise Department Wants License
of Louis Martin Revoked.

The State Excise Department is the latest to make trouble for Louis Martin and his cabaret show. Eight inspectors of that department recently looked over the show there, sampled some of the drinks and prices, and as a result of their reports the department brought an action yesterday in the Supreme Court demanding that Mr. Martin show cause why his license and his \$1,000 bond should not be forfeited.

The dances which have done so much to increase attendance at the cabaret show, and which are supposed to be forms of the turkey trot, grizzly bear and other dances, displeased the inspectors of the excise department. In his complaint, which is voluminous, Charles Firestone, counsel for the department, says these men saw dances going on which were decidedly suggestive. Martin has twenty days in which to answer.

The courts recently decided Martin was not violating the law in conducting his show, but did not pass upon the propriety of the dances. Recently the Bureau of Licenses looked at the dances, but decided to take no action.

OVER \$10,000 FOR MRS. WALSH.

Fire Chief's Widow Receives Fund From
Commissioner Johnson.

Mrs. Annie Walsh, widow of Fire Chief Walsh, who was killed in the Equitable Building fire, received yesterday \$10,363.77 that had been collected for her. Fire Commissioner Johnson gave her a check and said:

"This sum, together with the lifting of the mortgage from your home and the pension of \$1,000 a year, which is paid to the widow of all firemen who lose their lives in the discharge of their duty, will at least keep out of your mind as a mother the dread of poverty."

SELLS HIS HOTEL.

But C. H. Davis Re-leases the St. Andrew
For 21 Years.

Not only has C. H. Davis saved his hotel, the St. Andrew, at Seventy-second street and Broadway, to himself for at least twenty-one years, but in so doing he has gathered a good profit. He sold the hotel yesterday to a firm of real estate operators made Mr. Davis so uncomfortable, fearing that his tenancy might not be continued, that he paid the new owners \$250,000 for their contract. It was said yesterday that Mr. Davis had now altered, redecorated and returned the building at a cost of \$150,000.

BONDS HELD VOID INVESTORS DECLARED VOID. \$6,416,000.

NO SUCH RISKS IN
GUARANTEED MORTGAGES.

LAWYERS MORTGAGE CO. Capital and Surplus - \$6,500,000

50 Liberty Street, Manhattan
184 Montague Street, Brooklyn

APPROVAL OF DEALS ASKED BY RAILROADS

Mellen Argues He Needs Rutland
to Meet Grand Trunk
Invasion.

BROWN IS NOT QUESTIONED

Public Service Commission Hears
Reasons for New England
Transactions.

ALBANY, Feb. 20.—Presidents Mellen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad and Brown of the New York Central railroad were before the Public Service Commission, Second district, today on petitions of the New York Central to acquire from the New Haven the majority stock of the New York, Ontario and Western Railroad, and of the New Haven Western Railroad from the New York Central railroad from the New York Central. Samuel Untermyer of New York, representing minority stockholders of the Rutland railroad, who seek to secure the same price as the New Haven proposes to pay the New York Central for the majority stock, raised the question as to whether or not Presidents Brown and Mellen, being subpoenaed by him, would hereafter claim immunity under the law on the ground that they had been required by the commission to give testimony.

Mr. Untermyer asserted the entire transaction involving the Boston and Albany, Ontario and Western and Rutland railroads is a clear and distinct violation of the Federal anti-trust law.

President Mellen said the governing argument in favor of the New Haven taking the Rutland was that the New Haven might have an independent line in connection with the Boston and Maine between Boston and Montreal; that an arrangement was made whereby the New England Navigation Company purchased one-half the stock of the Rutland, and that since that time the New York Central had consented to dispose of the remainder of the stock held by it.

He said he would prefer to give the property to the New York Central for \$1 rather than sell it to any other company, because of the power of the New York Central to control business.

Mr. Mellen went at some length into the effort of the Grand Trunk to get a footing in New England. He said this was the first time the Grand Trunk had spent several million dollars. He described the plans the Grand Trunk has in view and Mr. Untermyer asked him if the Grand Trunk would not be a pretty good club in such a contingency.

"Not a club, but a connection," replied Mr. Mellen.

Mr. Mellen said the Rutland would be useful to the New Haven in any controversy with the Grand Trunk by offering a route by which all of the business heretofore done by the Grand Trunk could be cared for without detriment to the Boston and Maine and with great advantage to the Rutland stockholders.

He said he regarded the proposed extension of the Grand Trunk into New England as inevitable, but that he would be in much better shape if he had a line that he could use instead of the Central Vermont line, which he said would be completed. He said it would be for the interests of his stockholders that he should be thus prepared.

A controversy arose when President Brown was sworn. Chairman Stevens said he had been called to present additional facts and Vice-President Albert H. Harris of the New York Central refused to call him as his witness. The commission then accepted him as its witness.

Mr. Untermyer refused point blank to interrogate him on the ground of his being granted immunity by reason of his testimony as the commission's witness. As neither Vice-President Harris nor Mr. Untermyer proceeded to question President Brown, he was excused without giving any testimony.

The hearing will be continued on Thursday.

DIX NOMINATIONS DELAYED.

Senate Rushes to Adjournment Before
Commissioners Are Named.

ALBANY, Feb. 20.—John A. Mason, secretary to Gov. Dix, went to the Senate Chamber today with three envelopes containing nominations for two Public Service Commissioners, to fill vacancies in the First and Second Districts, and a State Tax Commissioner, but he was stalled somewhere and the Senate adjourned before he arrived.

Mr. Mason looked chagrined, declined haughtily a suggestion to shove the envelopes under the door, so they would surely be there to-morrow when the Senate reconvenes, and went back to the Executive Chamber where the envelopes were deposited in the safe.

Majority Leader Wagner had announced that it was the Senate's intention to rush the nomination of the three commissioners as far as possible and then adjourn. He said that he had no intimation that the Governor intended to submit any nominations.

While Gov. Dix declined to announce the names of the men he had named for the three positions, it was understood that Herbert H. Bissell of Buffalo was to succeed Commissioner Olmstead in the State Tax Commission, and that Edward G. Riggs of Brooklyn had been named to succeed Commissioner McCarroll in the New York commission.

Gov. Dix would not confirm any of these rumors. He said he would send "the same three names in to the Senate to-morrow" but the widows of all firemen who lose their lives in the discharge of their duty, will at least keep out of your mind as a mother the dread of poverty."

QUEEN'S RELATIVES VISIT DIX.

Noted Holland Contractor and Wife
Guests of Governor.

ALBANY, Feb. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Korthals-Altes of Haarlem, Holland, are the guests this week of Gov. and Mrs. Dix at the executive mansion.

Mr. Korthals-Altes is a contractor, having built some of the largest docks in China, India, Java and other places in the East. His wife, Mrs. Korthals-Altes, is a distant relative of Queen Wilhelmina and bears so close a resemblance to her that she frequently is mistaken for her. She is now in the city on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Korthals-Altes during their visit to Holland five years ago.

R. R. AND THEATRE MEN INDICTED FOR REBATING

One-Fourth of Burlesque Company
Fares Said to Have Been Re-
turned to Managers.

ADVERTISING DODGE USED

High Rates Said to Have Been Paid by
Railroads for Cards in Theatre
Programmes.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—The Federal Grand Jury returned indictments today against three railroads, two theatrical concerns and four individuals charging the giving and receiving of rebates.

The division of inquiry of the Interstate Commerce Commission has been busy for the last year running down the alleged evasion of the law by which excessive amounts are alleged to have been paid for "advertising" in return for business. The defendants named in the indictments are:

Harry J. Rhein, general passenger agent of the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad, named in two indictments.

William Underwood, assistant general passenger agent of the Michigan Central Railroad, named in one indictment.

Rudolph K. Hyndka of Cincinnati, director and secretary of the Eastern Circuit Company, named in one indictment.

The Columbia Theatrical Amusement Company of New York, named in three indictments.

The Heuck Opera House Company of Cincinnati, named in one indictment.

The Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad Company, named in two indictments.

The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, named in one indictment.

The Michigan Central Railroad Company, named in one indictment.

According to the indictments the officials of the Vanderbilt line east of the Mississippi River and west of Buffalo, including Lake Shore, Michigan Central and the Big Four, made a bid for the business of the Columbia Theatrical Amusement Company and the Empire Circuit Company in the summer of 1909.

These two amusement concerns, both of which have their headquarters in New York, operate strings of burlesque houses and together control some seventy-five theatrical companies averaging about thirty persons each. The companies change houses each week.

There were several conferences at Cincinnati, the indictments allege, between representatives of the railroads and Hyndka and Fennessy, at the conclusion of which it is charged that the railroads agreed to refund 25 per cent of the lawfare of 2 cents a mile per person in consideration of getting the business.

Hyndka, it is charged, thereupon organized the Eastern Circuit Railroad Program Advertising Company, a corporation for an advertisement of one of the Vanderbilt routes, receiving for the advertisement 25 per cent of the fares of the company, and that he then used this money for the railroad advertising, getting the 25 per cent refund for the punishment provided for the offense charged is a fine of not more than \$5,000 for a corporation and a fine of not more than \$5,000 or imprisonment for not more than two years or both for an individual.

DOG BITES MANY OTHERS.

Animal Killed After a Day of Terror in
Greenwich.

GREENWICH, Conn., Feb. 20.—A dark brown dog last night and to-day bit at least fifty other dogs, a few cats, one man and attacked other men and women.

It was killed by Constable James J. Nedley with a shotgun in a grocery store where the dog had been trapped.

Dr. Earle Schofield pronounced the dog mad and sent its head to the State laboratory at Middletown for examination.

The dog was first seen here yesterday evening when it attacked a bull terrier owned by Dr. Albert Hanton. It tore an ear off of James Hartung's dog and bit the throat of Harry Vandinger's bulldog. John Sergeant, K. Michler and George G. G. have reported that their dogs were bitten. At 5 o'clock this morning the dog was scouring the southern part of the town, biting every dog he met.

At the Greenwich station the hundreds of New York commuters were thrown in a panic as the animal snarled here and there, tearing garments. The dog entered the kitchen of Mrs. M. J. Hanton's home, jumped at her throat and tore her hair. She chased it off with a broom. Chris Johnson, a neighbor, says the dog came within an inch of biting his nose. He grabbed a shotgun and chased it through the main street. It sought shelter in Mr. Bennett's grocery store, and the dog and his customers went out of a rear door.

Constable Nedley went in armed with Johnson's shotgun, a pistol and a club. The dog, he said, had succumbed to the dog on his veranda last evening, but no blood was drawn.

ASSEMBLY RUSHES BILLS.

Albany Legislature Passes Measures in
Jiffy.

ALBANY, Feb. 20.—The Assembly went through its calendar of bills in jiffy time today and passed a number of them, including:

The Alfred E. Smith bill making the thirty year age limit for eligibles to the New York police force apply to the time the candidate files his application for a civil service examination instead of to the time his name appears on the eligible list.

Assemblyman Whitney's bill appropriating \$200,000 for purchasing office furniture and fixtures for the new State education building.

Assemblyman Sweet's bill creating a commission of five persons, including the State Engineer and the Superintendent of Public Works, to recommend rules and regulations to govern the operation of the canal of the State and appropriating \$20,000 to the commission's expenses.

Senator Sage introduced a bill making it a felony punishable by a \$2,000 fine or five years in State prison, for a person to be in any way responsible for the circulation of untrue suggestions or rumors concerning the stability of a financial institution.

H. W. Taft's Auto Knocks a Man Down.

John Gough Sues Lewis Friedman.



One Line Only—One Way Only

According to the Herald of Sunday, Feb. 18th, that newspaper's special checker counted, between the hours of 5 and 7 P. M. on Jan. 22nd and Feb. 6th, 368 Broadway cars going North only, at Herald Square.

This would mean 184 cars for two hours, or one every 45 seconds.

A car every 34 of a minute, counting one way only on one line only of the New York City Surface Car system, suggests some huge figures in the aggregate, and means something to the advertisers in those cars—and to those whose doors this endless string of cars passes.

And this takes no cognizance of the Broadway cars going South during these hours.

Think of a car full of passengers—every one a possible buyer—passing YOUR door every 22 seconds!

We have the exclusive control of all the advertising space in all the

New York City Surface Cars
Fifth Avenue Buses.

Study the Cards—
We Have a Standard.

New York City Car Advertising Company

225 Fifth Avenue
Telephone 4680 Madison

PRODUCE MEN CHARGE GAG RULE AT HEARING

Mercantile Exchange "Doesn't
Intend to Be Sport of a
Roman Populace."

WANTS AID OF COUNSEL

Magistrate Rules Against It at First
Session—Will Hear Further
Arguments To-day.

The first hearing in the inquiry into the high price of butter and eggs began yesterday before Magistrate Murphy in the Criminal Courts Building with a squabble as to whether or not the New York Mercantile Exchange should be represented by counsel having the same rights as though the members of the exchange were under arrest. Argument at the point was postponed until today, and W. A. De Ford and J. A. Rubin, Assistant District Attorneys conducting the inquiry, proceeded with the introduction of documentary evidence.

Eight or ten members of the exchange were in the court room with their attorneys, Franklin Taylor, when Magistrate Murphy took his seat.

"Mr. Taylor has no right to appear in this proceeding," said Magistrate Murphy. "I am open to conviction on that point, however."

"As I understand Mr. Taylor's offer," said Mr. De Ford, "he wishes to treat this hearing as one in the nature of a preliminary examination to terminate either in certain members of the exchange being held for the Grand Jury or in their discharge. If Mr. Taylor is willing to make a stipulation to that effect I will let it before District Attorney Rubin, and I presume it will be accepted."

Mr. Taylor made the following statement as to his position in the matter:

"The defendant has been squarely charged by the complaint with being in a conspiracy with designated persons to unlawfully restrict competition in prices, it is ready to meet that charge in a free and open fight, but doesn't propose to be thrown, bound and gagged into the arena for the sport of a Roman populace. American institutions don't stand for that sort of thing. It was submitted to in the so-called 'trust investigation,' and again in the initial proceedings in the Willett case, but it is without authority of law and will not be tolerated here."

James E. Lashor, secretary of the exchange, was the first witness. He was withdrawn when Mr. De Ford learned that he was not secretary at the time certain records were made which he wanted to introduce. He was followed by Frank G. Henry, superintendent of the exchange and custodian of its books and records.

He identified a number of books, among them the minutes of the egg committee of the exchange, of the trade committee, of the butter committee, of the traffic committee and of the transportation committee.

John Gough Sues Lewis Friedman.

Lewis Friedman, a city auctioneer, was arrested yesterday in a suit for \$20,000 damages for malicious prosecution brought by John Gough whom he had arrested on a charge of grand larceny two years ago.

ART SALES AND EXHIBITIONS.

This Afternoon at 2:30 o'clock
At the American Art Galleries
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On View To-morrow (Washington's Birthday)
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HYPPODROME

AROUND THE WORLD
Next Monday (Feb. 26) Mat. 2:30, Sat. 2:30
PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY Program
Soloists: Josef Lhevinne, Estelle Liebling

DALY'S
CIRIL SCOTT IN THE FATTED CALF
PLAYHOUSE
BOUGHT AND PAID FOR
MATINEES THIS WEEK TO-DAY
WILLIAM COLLIER'S COMEDY, 41st St. E. 8:15
SUNNY PUPPETS THE STRINGS
TO-MORROW 2:15, 7:15, 9:15
WEBER & FIELDS OF 100 IN
"Hokey Pokey" and "Bunny Hula Strings"

MAXINE ELLIOTT, The 35th St. E. 8:15
MANHATTAN ON 36th St. E. 8:15
NEW DOCKSTADER MINSTRELS

NEW YORK'S LEADING THEATRES.

EMPIRE Broadway and 40th St. E. 8:15
LAST 7 TIMES THIS THEATRE
Next Monday (Feb. 26) Mat. 2:30, Sat. 2:30
DOUBLE BILL AN ALL STAR CAST
A SLICE OF LIFE JOHN BARRYMORE
OF THE LITTLE BARBARYMORE
NEXT MONDAY Seats New Friday
MRS. FISKE

LYCEUM 40th St. E. 8:15
ANGELIN
GERTRUDE ELLIOTT
NEXT TUESDAY Seats New Friday
PRESERVING MR. PANFURE

FULTON 40th St. E. 8:15
HARRIS W. 42d Street, E. 8:15
THINKING OF MARRIAGE?—SEE
THE TALKER

HUDSON 40th St. E. 8:15
MME. SIMONE
THE QUAKER GIRL
CRITERION Broadway and 44th St. E. 8:15
LOUIS MANN A HUSBAND
MOVING NEXT MON. TO GARRICK THEATRE

CRITERION THEATRE
ETHEL BARRYMORE AND ALL
KNICKERBOCKER Broadway and 38th St. E. 8:15
OTIS
SKINNER KISMET
TICKETS ON SALE TO APRIL 15

Now Amsterdam Broadway and 41st St. E. 8:15
The Trail of the Lonesome Pine
WITH Charlotte Walker
NEXT MONDAY Seats New On Sale
LIEBLER & CO'S Christmas
Production of CHARLES DICKENS
"OLIVER TWIST"

LIBERTY 42d St. E. 8:15
GREAT
MUSIC
CHORUS
CAIETY Broadway and 46th St. E. 8:15
OFFICER 666
GLOBE Broadway and 40th St. E. 8:15
CLOVE Broadway and 40th St. E. 8:15
EDDIE FOY

COLONIAL 42d St. E. 8:15
ALHAMBRA 42d St. E. 8:15
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